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Security Officers Hint For FBI Assistance

Disaster appears to have overtaken the American and the NATO intelligence services in Europe and hundreds of special investigators are combing personnel files to prevent a public scandal, a source close to the top Central Intelligence Agency investigator revealed to THE EX.

CHANCE on October 25.

The situation has become so serious that many security officers at the CIA are at the "point of despair", the source revealed.

"Although we would have to suffer disgrace for years to come, we are about to ask the FBI to bair us out", he confessed.

The series of "disasters" has not yet been indicated in the public press, the source claimed. Even so, the European public is already very werried and pressure has developed within Germany for a thorough cleaning of Allied intelligence agencies. Already compromised are Italian, German, French, Turkish and Belgian government officials and military officers.

There are now indications that a possible Soviet agent has been working successfully within the U.S. component of NATO. Both the Pentagon and the CIA are extremely worried about public reaction when the disclosures are made, the source revealed. Present plans call for "hushing up" the facts until after the Presidential elections are over, he revealed.

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A sked whether he was not exposing himself to reprisals by fevering this information to THE EXCHANGE, the source replied that "he was almost being driven crazy by the thought of the great danger in which the United States now is."

He received assurances from THE EXCHANGE that his identity would not be disclosed.